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There has been an organization of one hundred men.

In the threatened diamond war diamond will cut diamond.

Just to show that she is still equal to her old role, Venezuela is defiant again.

Even the Kaiser has been the faithful way of ordinary men and has been writing letters.

Too many men, remarks the Christian News and Courier, take the "rest cure" for poverty.

"Ohio Scientist Dies While Studying Life" is the headline in an exchange. Flora must be perfectly killing.

"Never speak the children before your wife," advises a contemporary. Yet if you speak your wife you are liable to divorce proceedings.

The growing delinquency of septuagenarians, octogenarians and nonagenarians to celebrate their birthdays is perfectly noticeable. The old rogues are too busy.

Still, it is a fairly reliable test of the real freshness of eggs that is afforded by the noise in the basket. If you see them coming out of the 20-cent basket they might be fresher.

Second Editor Glen E. Edgerton of Manhattan, Kan., died at the home of his class of 1910, graduated from West Point this year, three months earlier than the usual time for graduation.

Still, we go on burning up children, with occasionally a mixture of adults, for no special reason that can be discerned except that it is cheaper to build firetraps than safe buildings.

A railway through the mountains north of the Adriatic sea, constructed by the Austrian government to build up the trade of Trieste, though only 110 miles long, has 670 bridges and viaducts. It also runs through 49 tunnels.

A Philadelphia palmetto says that in his 24 years of practice it was a poor day when he did not make \$15 or \$10. The stonemason's are said to be the most glib victims, while the women are hard to handle and not so ready to be convinced.

It seems strange, says the Brooklyn Citizen, that American actresses who long for a title do not take advantage of the fact, often stated, that baronial and other titles can be bought in Germany and Italy for \$200 and up, instead of paying a million or so for a bankrupt estate and a worthless spendthrift throw in.

Now that the Greenback states of Washington, which has shivered in inclement weather in front of the capitol for so many years, is to be put under cover in the Smithsonian institution, why not give it a kimono, too? According to Mr. McCall, the figure has been trying to reach out and grasp its clothes since 1841.

Some idea of the present importance and value of great tracts of timber land may be gathered from the fact that an Australian company has secured a concession from the Russian government to take out 20,000,000 feet of lumber a year from Siberian forests. Prices are \$200 and up, instead of paying a million or so for a bankrupt estate and a worthless spendthrift throw in.

The inventor of that odorless onion has conferred a great boon on man, kind that he can make onion-eaters believe that it is just as pleasant to the palate and as entirely anti-scorbutic as the old kind. But we have our doubts. Your onion-lover is not likely to believe in the complete genuineness of that bulb unless he advertises itself to visitors for a full 24 hours after consumption.

Two naval reviews were made the other day. A gun crew, in command of a young officer who has been out of Annapolis less than two years, made a hit with every one of 25 shots from an eight-inch gun and fired nearly three shots to the minute. The Chester, a new scouting cruiser, steamed twenty-six and fifty-three hundredths knots for four hours on a trial cruise, and proved itself the fastest boat of its type in any navy in the world.

It is said in England that the advance in democracy has resulted in an increase of books dealing with the peasant. Deland's "The Peasant" is a book of reference, now in its one hundred and ninety-fifth year, with its 2,500 pages, is a very different book from the original record. Since the death of Queen Victoria's accession to fewer than 200 pages and 460 bronzeplates have been bestowed, making an average of five of the one and seven of the other per annum.

"Cat-tails," which are scarcely utilized at all in this country, are used in England as filling for the seats of upholstered furniture; but hitherto the supply has been very small on account of the poor results which have been obtained by the use of this material. The closest competitor of "cat-tails" is the Indian fiber kank, which, even when of poor quality, sells at nine cents a pound. The "cat-tails" which have thus far been sent to England from the United States have varied in price from two to four cents per pound.

For a size of the tremendous possibilities of fusion and co-operation, between all sorts, races and conditions of men in our great cities, the first conference of the Ethical Social League in New York is pleasant to contemplate. Men of a score of nationalities, Jew, Gentile, rich man and poor, met in a close organization which may one day be powerful in realizing the ideal of its founder. "The separation of walls should fall away, and instead of working for social uplift in isolated bodies, all these various groups should form one body."

Dickens was the originator of the London Daily News. The paper started on January 21, 1846. At that time Charles Dickens was editor; his father, John Dickens, was the manager; Douglas Jerrold was assistant editor and Bradbury and Evans were the printers; Albany Foulsham and John Forster were leader writers; "Father Prout" (Mahoney) was Roman correspondent, and George Hoar was musical critic. Sir William Jackson, Sir Joseph Watkins and Mr. (afterwards Sir Joseph) Paxton, were among the principal proprietors.

MAKING LITTLE PROGRESS.



Stop Your Kicking and Go Along.

JAPS ARE WRATHFUL

NIKADO'S SUBJECTS CHARGE THE BRITISH WITH TREACHERY.

RELATIONS ARE BADLY STRAINED

Since Tatsu Maru Incident, Hostility Toward English Has Been Marked.

Tokyo, Japan—Japan is becoming bitterly anti-British. Early charges of treachery against the Mikado's officials are heard everywhere—except, indeed, from the highest government officials, who are too diplomatic to proclaim openly just how they feel.

Hatred of the English is the keynote, however, of nearly every commercial and minor political gathering of counting-house chat and of talk on the streets. Threats of Japanese absorption of British Oriental commerce, both by land and sea, of extension of the Mikado's circle of influence to India and Australia, and even of an armed clash in China, are heard from sources, some of which are excited enough to hint at really serious developments.

Japan's refusal to permit the palatial of its Manchurian railroad by an English company would have brought matters to a crisis if Downing Street had not yielded.

British Favorable to China.

During the Tatsu Maru dispute and in China's anti-Japanese boycott, which now is making tremendous inroads on Japanese trade, Englishmen were and are openly and vociferously pro-British in their sympathies.

Tokyo cannot help but notice, either, that Australia is more bitterly and noisily anti-Japanese than California ever thought of being. Nor has Western Canada's hostility been overlooked.

The diplomatic corps is interested greatly in the outcome. A good many of its members think there must be an early change in sentiment or even the treaty will not prevent Anglo-Japanese relations from being strained dangerously near to the snapping point.

Taft to Resign, Is Report.

Will Leave Portfolio When Congress Adjourns.

Washington, D. C.—Recent efforts on the part of some of Secretary Taft's friends to induce him to resign from the cabinet have had no definite result, although it is said in an authoritative quarter that Mr. Taft will surrender the war portfolio when congress adjourns.

Mr. Taft has intended all along to resign from the cabinet if he is nominated for the presidency, but from what was said Wednesday it seems likely that when congress adjourns, May 16, he will leave the war department.

Santa Fe Answers Charge.

Salt Lake City, Utah—Answer to the charge made by the United States government in its suit to dissolve the Harriman system of railroads as a combination in restraint of trade was filed in the United States court Tuesday by the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad, one day before the expiration of the time allowed to answer.

Shock Fatal to Patient.

Chippewa Falls, Wis.—Karl Sorenson, who was undergoing an operation when the Northwestern hospital caught fire, died. Although great care was taken in carrying him from the burning building, the shock was too great for him. His home was at Withee.

No Tobacco for Pupils.

Echo, Minn.—The Ed has been put on the pipe and cigarette in Echo so far as school children and boys under 18 years of age are concerned.

Distraught Bikes; Rate Cut Cash.

Washburn, Wis.—Joe Perro, a laborer, who for years has deposited his savings in an old trunk, recently discovered that his money, consisting of \$500 in bills, had been made a nest of rats, which had made a nest of the remnants. Perro was about to take a trip to Canada.

Live Wire Burns Lineman.

Paris, Tex.—Volney Cox, a telephone lineman, was burned by a live electric wire while at the top of a telephone pole.

Friend Dies; Kills Himself.

East Orange, N. J.—Cast down by the death of a lifelong friend, Alexander B. Morrison, a well-known citizen and business man, committed suicide at his home, 9 South Main avenue, by shooting himself in the head.

Says Roosevelt Owes Him.

Youngstown, O.—Michael Benner of Canton was greeted here on suspicion when he declared that President Roosevelt was in his debt to the amount of \$27,000 for work done at Oyster Bay in a private capacity.

PHOTOGRAPHERS STOP SUIT.

Judge Refuses to Proceed After Parties Are Photographed.

Chicago, Ill.—After a jury had been accepted in a breach of promise case, in which Miss Ellen Hoda is suing Joseph Mayne for \$1,000 damages, Municipal Judge Brugemeyer refused to proceed with the hearing of the case because the parties to the suit had been photographed in his private chamber by newspaper men. Judge Brugemeyer said:

"I understand that the litigants in this case were taken into my private chambers, lined up against the wall and photographed by newspaper men without my consent or knowledge. I will not have this case tried in this court and someone should be fined for contempt."

The attorneys could not induce the judge to change his mind and were forced to seek another court.

Mrs. Duke Is Freed on Bond.

Chicago, Ill.—Robert E. Burke, democratic politician and one of the party bosses of Illinois, has come to the relief of Mrs. Alice Webb Duke, the divorced wife of Brodie Duke, tobacco magnate. He signed a bond of \$1,000 for Mrs. Duke and obtained her release after almost a week in jail.

Elephant Kills Woman.

Riverside, Cal.—A herd of elephants from a circus went on a rampage Thursday following an explosion of a gasoline tank, and as a result Miss Ella Gibbs, a church deaconess, was forced to death and several persons injured. One of the animals wrecked the barber shop of Glenwood, while several keepers were injured before all of the six were subdued.

Peace Bill Reported.

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NEWS OF CONGRESS

DOINGS OF PEOPLE'S REPRESENTATIVES AT WASHINGTON.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED

Concise Report of Measures Introduced and What Action Is Taken on Them.

Forest Reserve Doomed.

Washington—With an adverse report, the house committee on judiciary Friday condemned the plan to have the United States government own blocks of mountains from New England to Florida for a gigantic forest reserve. Judge John J. Jenkins, the chairman of the committee, is the author of the report, which recommends no action on the project because the federal government has no constitutional right to establish such a reserve. Had the project been consummated, it would have cost more than \$1,000,000,000.

Such a forest reserve has been advocated by the governors of the states interested, by nearly 1,000 commercial leaders and by a majority of the members of congress from the states that would have been affected.

Aldrich Bill Is Tabled.

Washington—The Aldrich bill met its doom in the house committee on its last day. The bill, which was introduced by the committee on the currency bill, but no report was agreed upon.

Fishery Treaty Ratified.

Washington—The senate in executive session Friday afternoon ratified the treaty with Great Britain on fisheries in United States and Canadian waters. It also ratified the treaties of arbitration with Portugal and Norway; two Hague treaties, one affecting the recovery of contract debts, the other concerning the rights and duties of neutral powers, in naval war; and the extradition treaty with San Marino.

Senate Hits Injunctions.

Washington—The senate Friday afternoon passed the Overman anti-injunction bill, which prevents the issuance of temporary injunctions by any United States district judge restraining the operation of a state law in which its constitutionality is involved, unless the application has been first heard and favorably acted upon by three federal judges, two of whom must be circuit judges, and then only after a majority vote.

The measure aims to prevent the recurrence of any such legal entanglements as brought about a crisis between North Carolina and the Southern railroad and those in other states a year ago.

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THE CALL OF THE SOIL.

DAYS OF FINANCIAL STRESS MAKE FARM LANDS LOOK RICH.

A staff contributor of a southern newspaper has taken up the question of the return to the farm of many who had forsaken it for the cities of the city. He says: "It is a well-known fact that the history of this Government shows that those men who have been most successful in life and who have left their impress upon its people and its institutions as statesmen, soldiers, financiers—have as a rule been those whose youth was spent on the farm, and it is to such as these that there comes with overmastering power THE CALL OF THE SOIL. More especially does it come with redoubled persuasiveness, greater power and sweeter pleading to the man of affairs when the clouds of financial unrest begin to darken the sky; when the cry of panic causes people to lose their wits and act like stampeded cattle; when with reason or without reason there arises before him the specter of ruin, winning in his face and waving its maimed arms in threatening postulation.

The principle state into which men were brought by the recent financial flurry, which happily is now passed, suggests these reflections. Some were ruined and a very few became insane because of their losses. Two or three took their own lives.

It is when such times come that the statesman, the great financier, and the man of affairs becomes tired of the struggle. He lays down his pen, turns from his desk and listens to the CALL OF THE SOIL.

There are hundreds of cases throughout the United States of those who have money in the banks and are looking for investment in lands. No investment is better or safer. Take, for instance, the lands in Western Canada that can be bought at from \$10 to \$15 per acre which yield a revenue equal to and often greater than their original cost. Those lands make a capital investment. During the past two months large investments in these lands have been made, some intending to use the lands for farming purposes of their own. Others to resell to farmer friends. The agents of the government of Canada located at different points throughout the United States have in their possession particulars of districts in which there are free homestead grants of 160 acres each accessible to railways, markets, schools, churches, etc. These are valuable lands. These agents will be pleased to give information to any desirous of securing, and will tell all about the railway tracks, etc.

TOOK T.M.E.

A Scotsman, having hired himself to a farmer, had a cheese set before him that he might help himself. After some time, the master said to him: "Sandy, you take a long time to breakfast."

"In this master," said Sandy: "a cheese of this size is no salmon eaten as you may think."

Sympathy.

"It's a serious thing, Verena," sighed Mrs. Upmore, "to be the wife of a man who holds a public office. It demands so much of his time and keeps him away from his home."

"I know just how you feel, ma'am," said the elderly domestic. "My first husband was the grand imperial outside guard of the Amalgamated and Solidified Order of Fuzzy Guzzlers, and sometimes he was that busy trying to remember the signs and grips that he forgot to get a word out of him all day long."

A Gardening Nation.

In Sweden a gift is made once a year to each school pupil of a tree or shrub to be planted about the home. By law each parish must grant a certain amount of land to be devoted to the purpose of school gardens. There are scores of horticultural societies in the country, and the people are given public free instruction and advice on fruit and vegetable culture. The natural resources of the country are being increased in this way to a wonderful extent.

Very True.

The Best Friend—I hear her old husband shows her a dog-like devotion.

The Casual Gossip—Yes, they say he is always growing at her.

COFFEE EYES.

It Acts Slowly But Frequently Produces Blindness.

The curious effect of slow daily poisoning and the gradual building in of disease as a result, is shown in numbers of cases where the eyes are affected by coffee.

A case in point will illustrate:

A lady in Oswego, Mont., experienced a slow but sure disease settling upon her eyes in the form of increasing weakness, dimming of vision, and, finally, dancing lines of light, so vivid that nothing else could be seen for minutes at a time.

"This gradual failure of sight alarmed me and I naturally began a course of my high altitude. The result was charming. I have now used Postum in place of coffee for about 3 months and my eyes are well, never pain me or showing any weakness. I know to a certainty that the cause of the trouble was coffee and the cure was in quitting it and building up the nervous system on Postum, for that was absolutely the only change I made in diet and I took no medicine.

"My suffering had been kept in a perfectly healthy state since I have used Postum.

"Mr.—, a friend, discarded coffee and took on Postum to see if he could rid of his dyspepsia and freed his headaches. The change produced a most remarkable improvement quickly."

"There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

WINS HER DIVORCE

DECREE WILL BE AWARDED MRS. VANDERBILT.

REFeree'S FINDING NEXT MONDAY

McClure Will Hand in His Decision to Justice O'Gorman, Personal Counsel Sails.

New York—Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt has won her suit for absolute divorce from the young millionaire. The report of the referee, recommending an interlocutory decree, will be filed in the supreme court on Monday.

All the testimony taken by Referee David McClure in the case has now been completed. Referee McClure has finished his report, and it is this document that will be lodged with the clerk of the supreme court.

The papers probably will be passed upon by Justice O'Gorman. How long he will hold it is a matter of conjecture, but within a reasonably short time it is expected he will confirm the recommendation of the referee by granting Mrs. Vanderbilt her interlocutory decree.

TO RIDE MULE IN CANVASS.

Former Congressman Burrell to Repeat His Campaign of Early '90s.

Carroll, Ill.—Former Congressman Orlando Burrell of this city Saturday formally announced his candidacy for congress in the Twenty-fourth district. He will open his campaign Monday. Judge Burrell is one of the oldest politicians in northern Illinois, and in the early '90s he ran in the old Twentieth district, defeating Congressman James R. Williams, his democratic opponent, by over 2,000 votes. In making his campaign he rode a large white mule.

Burrell will ride the same old donkey in making his fight for the nomination.

CRUISER ORDERED OUT.

Destination a Mystery, But Thought She Will Go to South America.

San Francisco, Cal.—Commander Henry Thomas Mayer of the cruiser Albany received word Friday to take on coal and supplies for a three months' cruise, with full stock of ammunition. The Albany will sail for Santa Cruz as soon as her coal bunkers are full, as she already has a full store of provisions. She probably will sail Saturday.

Much speculation is indulged in as to the cruiser's destination. It is thought she will be sent to South American waters.

Armory Force Cut by 200 Men.